

MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH ...Here for You

Pentecost Sunday, May 19, 2024

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

PRELUDE Komm, heiliger Geist (Come, Holy Ghost), BWV 651..... J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT Come, O Creator Spirit, Come............ Veni Creator Spiritus

Come, O Creator Spirit, come, and make within our hearts thy home; to us thy grace celestial give, who of thy breathing move and live. O Comforter, that name is thine, of God most high the gift divine; the well of life, the fire of love, our souls' anointing from above. Amen.

HYMN Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us Ebenezer

Please refer to insert.

INVOCATION

ANTHEM Every Time I Feel the Spirit African American Spiritual,
Joshua Bouchard, bass-baritone arr. William Dawson

Refrain: Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

Upon the mountain when my God spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke. All around me, it looked so fine, I asked my Lord if all was mine. *Refrain.* Jordan River, chilly and cold, it chills the body, but not the soul. There ain't but one train that's on this track, it runs to heaven and runs right back. *Refrain.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE Luke 10:25-37; Genesis 1:26; Galatians 3:28

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON 2024: A TEST OF DEMOCRACY AND FAITH Rev. Jim Wallis

Following sermon, all invited into a moment of prayerful reflection with music.

MEDITATIVE MUSIC

Alleluia. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male nor female. For all of you are one in Christ Jesus. Alleluia. For you were baptized unto Christ and you have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, all are one in Christ Jesus.

- Galatians 3:27-28

CALL FOR OFFERING

Please click "GIVE" at MarbleChurch.org or use Donate QR Code on card in the pews, to take you to secure website, Realm, to give. Donation boxes also placed by Sanctuary doors. You may also mail a check. We are grateful for your faithful support.

ANTHEM

Rain Down Jaime Cortez; Text based on Psalm 33 Danny Weller, bass; Nathan Repasz, drums

Refrain: Rain down, rain down your love on your people. Rain down, rain down, rain down your love God of life. Faithful and true is the word of our God. All of God's works are so worthy of trust. God's mercy falls on the just and the right; full of God's love is the earth. Refrain. We who revere and find hope in our God live in the kindness and joy of God's wing. God will protect us from darkness and death; God will not leave us to starve. Refrain. God of creation, we long for your truth; you are the water of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

DOXOLOGY Lasst uns erfreuen (The tune is that of Hymn 4.)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God with saints in heav'n above,

Praise Jesus Christ who shows God's love,

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SPOTLIGHT ON LIFE AT MARBLE

HYMN

Please refer to insert. Verse 3 – Choir only.

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Spirit of the Living God......Daniel Iverson, arr. Kenneth Dake Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, move among us all, Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love. Humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

POSTLUDE

Every Time I Feel the Spirit arr. lain Farrington

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Dr. Michael Bos, Rev. Susanah Wade, Matthew Morse, board chair The Marble Choir, Marble Community Gospel Choir Michael T. C. Hey, director of music



AFTER WORSHIP TODAY



0&A AND BOOK SIGNING

Join our special guest Rev. Jim Wallis in the Labyrinth Room (downstairs) or stay online.

Also After Worship: Plant Positive Brunch – *Please see page 5.*

UPCOMING WORSHIP

If you can't join us live, view anytime at MarbleChurch.org/Watch



Sunday, May 26 – 11:00am
Living Life Backwards
Change Is Coming – Dr. Michael Bos
Part 2 of Sermon Series



NYC Street Closings: Please plan ahead for your time at Marble. For details, visit www.nyc.gov/events/index or call 311.



CONGREGATIONAL FORUM Sunday, June 9, after Worship

Please join the Ministers and Board as we focus on these primary topics to ensure that our community is meaningfully informed about Marble's past, present, and future:

- 1) receive updates on Marble's Strategic Plan from a variety of Marble leaders involved in implementing the five areas identified in the Plan;
- 2) learn more about Marble's efforts to sustain and grow our local and global ministry in light of our new financial reality, including a presentation on Marble's fiscal year 2025 budget and updates on financial and structural matters addressed in our January forum; and
- 3) learn about the bedrock importance of community involvement and volunteerism in our ministry and exciting ways to get meaningfully involved in shaping the future of Marble Collegiate Church!

We want to ensure we are speaking directly to your real concerns. To help us do this, once again **we are soliciting your questions in advance.** This will enable our leadership to provide focused and comprehensive answers for you and offer our entire community (in person and online) the opportunity to ask questions. **You can submit your questions in one of three ways:**

- Go to MarbleChurch.org/calendar
- Drop them in designated box at Reception Desk (29th St Lobby)
- Mail them to Marble

While all questions and comments are welcome, including those made anonymously, we will prioritize questions which come from identified individuals. **Please make sure questions are submitted and received by May 31.**



FISCAL YEAR 2024 9-MONTHS RESULTS were released to the congregation on Wednesday, May 15, by e-blast.

If you missed the email, you can find the information at **MarbleChurch.org/financial-budget-update.**



ROSE CASTLE FOUNDATION LEARNING TRIP to the UK with Dr. Elise Brown & Rev. Susanah Wade October 6–10, 2024

Sunday, May 26, 12:15pm — All invited to meet Canon Sarah Snyder, executive director of Rose Castle, in the Chapel as we prepare for our trip. She joins us via Zoom.

Four spaces remain for this incredible trip! Reserve soon at marblechurch/calendar

Rose Castle is a UK charity helping to lay the foundation for sustainable peace and reconciliation in the world (rosecastlefoundation.org). On this trip we will experience how to reach across divides, learn to live honestly and openly with people who are very different from us, learn how to navigate change, transform conflict and re-imagine peace. Our day-to-day content and activities will be led by Rose Castle staff. When we return to the US, our work with Rose Castle will continue online and in person. For questions, please contact Rev. Brown, EliseBrown@MarbleChurch.org.

Life at Marble

Visit MarbleChurch.org for more events, details, and up-to-date information.

BEFORE WORSHIP



Prayer Circle — **10:00am, Children's Chapel** (2nd floor, access via elevator/stairs off 29th St lobby) & **Zoom**. Weekly time of prayer and music. The Circle is always open — all you need is a willing heart!

10:00 O'Clock Hour: Dinah and Shechem, Reader Discretion Advised — **Labyrinth Room** (downstairs) & live streamed. Led by **Dr. Julie Faith Parker,** Marble's Biblical Scholar in Residence. View archive at **MarbleChurch.org/Watch.**

CYF CORNER - CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY



Sunday School, Youth Group & Childcare – Infant/Toddler childcare: 10:00am-12:30pm, (when possible, for staffing purposes, please contact Brian a week in advance). Pre-K through 12th Grade attend Worship today for our Children's Message. Afterwards, Pre-K - 6th Graders attend class. Youth Group meets after Worship until 1:00pm. All children and youth welcome to join us any time!

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Register at MarbleChurch.org/cyf or contact CYF Director Brian Hampton, BHampton@
MarbleChurch.org.



JOIN US!

Are you searching for a place to belong, to connect with others, and to grow in your faith? We welcome you for who you are, wherever you are on your faith journey. We'd love to have you join us! To learn more, contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, KRyan@MarbleChurch. org, talk to someone wearing a red carnation or visit MarbleChurch.org/become-a-member.

ENGAGE



3rd Annual Asian Experience Art Exhibit / **thru May** — The Marble Arts Ministry honors AAPI Month. View downstairs outside the Labyrinth Room and at MarbleChurch.org/arts. Archive of previous exhibits also available.

Arts Ministry / **Most Mondays, 6:30pm** — Join us on Zoom for a time of fellowship and nurturing as we discover how to use our God-given gifts, talents, and skills. For professional and non-professional artists. Visit MarbleChurch.org/arts.

Afternoon Prayer / Tuesdays, 4:00-4:20pm — Wind down your day with a brief time of sharing and prayer via Zoom or phone. Link available at MarbleChurch.org/calendar.

Chair Yoga / **Thursdays, 10:00-10:45am** — Center yourself physically and spiritually with this time of gentle movement via Zoom. Link available at MarbleChurch.org/calendar.

PrimeTime Lunches / **Wednesdays, May 29 & June 12** — Gather in person for lunch (\$25, pre-register) and programs. May 29, we celebrate our January to June birthdays with saxophone performance by **Josh Walker,** and June 12, is our season finale with **Gary Thompson & friends** performing *Count Your Blessings*. Contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

New Small Group - Daniel: Way More Than a Lion Tamer / **Tuesdays, June 4, 11 & 18, 7:00-8:00pm** — Join Dr. Julie Faith Parker on Zoom as she teaches on the biblical book of Daniel. Register at MarbleChurch.org. See below about trip to Sight & Sound Theatre's show, *Daniel*.

PrimeTime Outing / **Friday, June 21** — All invited to return to the Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA to see their production of *Daniel*. Register soon at MarbleChurch.org. Before the show, get valuable insight through Dr. Julie Faith Parker's Small Group.

HELP OTHERS



Prayer Shawl Ministry / First Mondays on Zoom, 5:00-6:00pm; third Mondays in person, 1:00-2:00pm — Gather for prayer and creating together to knit/crochet prayer shawls for the ill or homebound. Questions? Contact Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.



Rev. Susanah Wade is taking a mini-sabbatical in June and July. She returns to us August 1. Please keep Rev. Susanah in your prayers during this time of renewal and refreshment for her. We look forward to her return!

Spotlight



WE WELCOME REV. JIM WALLIS TO MARBLE! Worship, 11:00am **Q&A and Book Signing, 12:15pm**

Rev. Wallis is a New York Times bestselling author, public theologian, renowned preacher and commentator on ethics and public life. His newest book is The

False White Gospel: Rejecting Christian Nationalism, Reclaiming True Faith, and Refounding Democracy. Rev. Wallis says it's time to call out genuine faith specifically the "Christian" in White Christian Nationalism inviting all who can be persuaded to reject and help dismantle a false gospel that propagates white supremacy and autocracy. We need to raise up the faith of all of us and help those who are oblivious, stuck, and captive to an ideology that is leading us to such great danger.

This book isn't only for Christians but for all faith traditions, and even those with no faith at all. When we see a civic promotion of fear, hate, and violence for the trajectory of our politics, we need a civic faith of love, healing, and hope to defeat it. And that must involve all of us - religious or not. Learning to practice a politics of neighbor love will be central to the future of democracy in America.



PLANT POSITIVE FELLOWSHIP TODAY - Monthly Brunch, after Worship Monday, May 20 - Zoom Gathering, 5:30-6:30pm

All welcome to join Plant Positive Fellowship's two May events. Sunday Brunch is a time for laughter, connection and good food at a plant-based restaurant. Meet in 29th St Lobby after Worship. At our monthly Zoom we

encourage and inform one another about how eating a plant-powered, whole foods diet benefits our bodies, as well as our beautiful planet. For more info and to get the link, please contact Robert DiCuio, marbleplantpositive@gmail.com.



SHOWERS & FLOWERS Marble Monthly Meet-Up Thursday, May 23, 6:30-8:00pm

April showers bring May flowers. What do May flowers bring? Come find out! All invited for fellowship, fun, and invigorating conversation. At Marble. Lite bites and beverages on us.

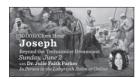
10:00 O'CLOCK HOUR – In the Labyrinth Room (downstairs) or online.



Sunday, May 26 THE POWER OF MEMORY AND REMEMBERING

On this Memorial Day weekend, we gather to examine how memory and the way in which we remember the events of our lives matters. How can memories, even nostalgia, help us value and honor the past while also setting the stage for living

life to its fullest today, and envisioning a strong future? How can memory sometimes hold us back from being all we are called to be today? We also look at collective memory, how societies remember significant events in their histories and explore what the scriptures say about memory.



Sunday, June 2 **JOSEPH: BEYOND THE TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT**

Dr. Julie Faith Parker, Marble's Biblical Scholar in Residence, continues her series, **Scriptural Revelations: Surprising Insights on Familiar Bible Stories**, as we focus on the Ancestor Stories. Learn more at MarbleChurch.org.

Did you ever consider that Joseph might be on the spectrum? His mind works differently from those of his brothers and he has extraordinary abilities, but he seems to have a hard time reading social cues. Who sells Joseph? Who rescues him? Come to discover new dimensions of this story that we think we know so well. *Please note: Dr. Parker streams live from the Women's Retreat.*



POP CULTURE TRIVIA BRUNCH for those in their 20's & 30's Sunday, May 26, 12:15-1:15pm

Anyone in their 20's & 30's is invited to join us for this fun, free event. 307 Assembly Room. Please register in advance so we have a headcount for food. Contact Brian Hampton, BHampton@MarbleChurch.org.



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Worship: Sundays, 11:00am

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WOMEN'S RETREAT Navigating the Waters of Change Weekend, May 31-June 2

The deadline to register has been extended through Monday, May 20. Limited number of partial scholarships available on a first come, first served basis. For questions or assistance, please reach out to Karla Hendrick, KHendrick@MarbleChurch.org.



MUSIC AT MIDDAY

Wednesday, June 5, 12:00-12:30pm

David Hirst, Mantes la Jolie, France, Titular Organist of Notre Dame de Mantes. Give yourself a midday break to enjoy the incredible sounds of the Marble pipe organ. Free.



SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL

Sunday, June 16, 12:30-2:00pm

Celebrate the creativity of Marble artists in this program highlighting music from classical to jazz, dance, film, poetry, plays, writing and fine art including paintings and photography. Sponsored by The Arts Ministry. Labyrinth Room.



SUMMER CHOIR

Sunday, June 23, 9:00am Rehearsal

Michael Hey invites all singers to join him for his **new Summer Volunteer Choir** to participate in Worship on one Sunday in June, July and August. Sing when you're able. If you're interested, please contact Michael (MHey@MarbleChurch.org).



Movies that Matter PAP'S MANIFESTO by Marble's own Chris Danuser Sunday, June 23, after Worship

During Gun Violence Awareness month, we screen the recent short film done by filmmaker Chris Danuser. Pap's Manifesto, which has won thirteen film festivals throughout the world, is the story of a grief-stricken

father who sets out to avenge his son's death and a stunning and inspiring turn of events occurs. Free. Chapel (downstairs). Afterwards, discuss the film with Chris.

IF YOU NEED HELP - PLEASE REACH OUT

Marble's Stephen Ministers may be able to help you with spiritual/emotional support in difficult times. **Speak to a Stephen Minister after Worship in the Children's Chapel** (2nd flr) or contact Rev. Susanah Wade, SWade@MarbleChurch.org. For more information, visit MarbleChurch.org/stephen-ministry.

The Marble Prayer Ministry Team is here to pray for you. Submit requests on top of any page at MarbleChurch.org.

Use of photographic and recording devices is not permitted during the service. Assistive Listening System, Large print and Braille copies of bulletin available—ask an usher. The south central pews of our Sanctuary are equipped with an Induction Hearing Loop. If your hearing aid has a T-coil, please toggle to that setting to receive our audio signal directly without any headset needed.

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COME, O SPIRIT, DWELL AMONG US

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TODAY WE ALL ARE CALLED TO BE DISCIPLES

Text: Kenn Carmichael, 1985; Tune: Kingsfold

Verse 3 - Choir only



- 1. To day we are all called to be dis ci ples of __ the Lord,
- 2. God made the world and at its birth or dained our hu man race
- 3. Pray jus-tice may come roll ing down as __ in a might-y stream,
- 4. May we in ser-vice to our God act_ out the liv ing word,



to help to set the cap-tives free, makeplow-share out of sword, to live as stew-ards of the earth, re-sponding to God's grace. with right-eous-ness in field and town to cleanse us and re-deem. and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.



to__ feed the hun-gry, quench the thirst, make love and_peace our fast,
But we are vain and sad - ly proud; we__ sow not_peace but strife.
For God is long-ing to re-store an__ earth where con-flicts cease,
As__ stew-ards of__ the _earth _may we _give__ thanks in__ one _ac - cord



to__ serve the poor and home-less first, our ease and com-fort last. Our dis-cord spreads a__ dead - ly cloud that threat-ens all_ of life.
a__ world that was_ cre - at - ed for a__ har - mo - ny_ of peace.
to_ God who calls us_ all to be dis - ci - ples of_ the Lord.

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AN ENCOURAGING WORD

When you need a bit of inspiration, call 212-686-2774 to hear Marble's **Encouraging Word,** a brief recorded uplifting message. They change periodically and are available to listen to day or night.